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## Nominate Officers For Coming Year

The regular meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce was held Tuesday evening in the fire hall and officers nominated for the ensuing term.

M. B. Sneden was the only nominee for the office of president of the Chamber, H. J. Craft and J. A. Silva are the nominees for the vice-president's chair, P. A. Ellis was nominated to succeed himself as secretary, and Chas. Laws was selected for the treasurer's position.

Four directors are to be elected and the following persons were nominated: C. Overacker, Wm. Catterlin, O. A. Lindeburgh, and C. Trimmingham.

Five delegates to the Associated Chambers of Commerce will be selected from the following list, F. V. Jones, H. J. Craft, M. J. Silva, E. A. Ellsworth, Frank Rose, J. A. Silva and C. Trimmingham.

Mr. Overacker reported that the matter of placing alarm bells at dangerous crossings near town had been again taken up with Mr. Corrigan and that something would be done in the matter soon.

A letter was received from the Motion Picture Location Committee of Los Angeles requesting information on conditions, climate, roads, scenery, etc. about Niles, and Messrs. Jones and Ellsworth were appointed to send them the information desired with necessary photographs.

For the benefit of those living across the railroad tracks it was suggested that a street be extended across the railroad property. The matter was referred to a committee at their meeting on February 24th, at which time the subway at the west end of town will come up for discussion.

A. C. F. Lott was elected to

of Miles Smith was ordered to take the usual course.

At the next regular meeting which will be held on March 7th, election of officers will be held.

## Apricot Growers To Co-operate

The attention of apricot growers in the township is called to the subjoined circular, in view of the success of the Orange Growers of the State, the recent organization of the peach growers, it is the part of wisdom of our local apricot growers to unite with the California Prune and Apricot Growers. Co-operation is the big and successful movement today among growers. Germany, Ireland and even Russia are far in advance of our own local growers. With the active co-operation of the State administration, co-operation on the part of growers is bound to meet with much greater success than heretofore. The Press believes the present movement is one full of promise to our apricot growers and we urge them to organize and get in touch with the movement.

The following circular has recently been sent out by the California Prune and Apricot Growers Information Bureau and is worthy of the careful consideration of all California Prune and

Apricot Growers,  
Information Bureau,  
Rooms 5 and 6  
Farmers Union Block,  
San Jose, Cal.

Feb. 6, 1916  
The purpose of this folder is to acquaint the public in a general way with the object and purpose, plan of work, and immediate needs of the information bureau whose formation was authorized at the mass meeting held at San Jose on Jan. 19.

### Object.

Briefly, the object of the bureau is the organization of the California prune and apricot growers for the purpose of securing to themselves a just recompense for the capital and labor necessary for the successful conduct of their business, and the proper development and protection of the industry as a whole. Realizing that permanently successful action must be based on accurate knowledge of the conditions involved,

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## Well Known Irvington

### Resident Passes Away

The many friends of Mrs. Margaret Mary Powers will be greatly grieved to hear of her death in San Jose on February 8th, which occurred after an illness which did not last more than a month.

Prior to her removal to San Jose where she located one year ago, the deceased resided in Irvington, having been born and raised there. During her life time she made a host of friends, who will remember her as kind and charitable and extremely considerate of the welfare of all her friends and associates.

Requiem High Mass was celebrated at St. Joseph's Church with special music the day of the burial, Rev. Father Collins, an intimate friend of the deceased, delivered a beautiful eulogy over her bier which consoled in a great measure those who suffered by the death of Mrs. Powers. The body was interred at the Santa Clara cemetery. The impressive ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Father Collins, assisted by the St. Joseph's choir. The departed was a daughter of Thomas Cushing and the late Margaret Cushing. Besides her father she leaves to mourn her loss, Thomas William Powers, her son of tender years, and her beloved brothers, Harry J. Cushing and Wm. Cushing.

## Prof. Hatch Talks To Men's League

The evening service at the Congregational Church last Sunday evening, was under the auspices of the Men's League and Prof. Hatch of the Visual Instruction Bureau of the University of California, made an interesting address on the work of this bureau.

Mr. Hatch first spoke of the extension work of the University

and told how this department was carrying the benefits of the University into the most remote parts of the State, where any one can receive those benefits without any special training.

Speaking of his own department, Mr. Hatch stated that up to very recent years, the spoken word and the printed page had been the only means of conveying information and knowledge, but that the last few years had brought forth a new method of instruction—namely "Visual instruction," or instruction by means of the eye. This new means of instruction has been largely used since the introduction of stereopticons and motion picture machines, for by these methods it is possible to picture actual objects and their uses and to carry the student to far off places.

Besides using slides and motion picture films, the bureau has prepared a large number of traveling industrial exhibits and these are being sent on a tour of the State to be viewed by the people. These exhibits which will probably be seen in Niles, cost from \$100 to \$600 each to prepare.

Mr. Hatch stated that the University has on hand a large number of slides and reels of film that can be obtained at any time, and it is probable that an effort will be made to secure some of these and show them in Niles.

After the services the business meeting of the Men's League was held and routine business transacted.

It was decided in view of the light patronage of the Niles library on Sunday afternoons to discontinue, temporarily at least, the keeping of this room open.

Nomination of officers will take place at the next meeting and a large attendance is expected.

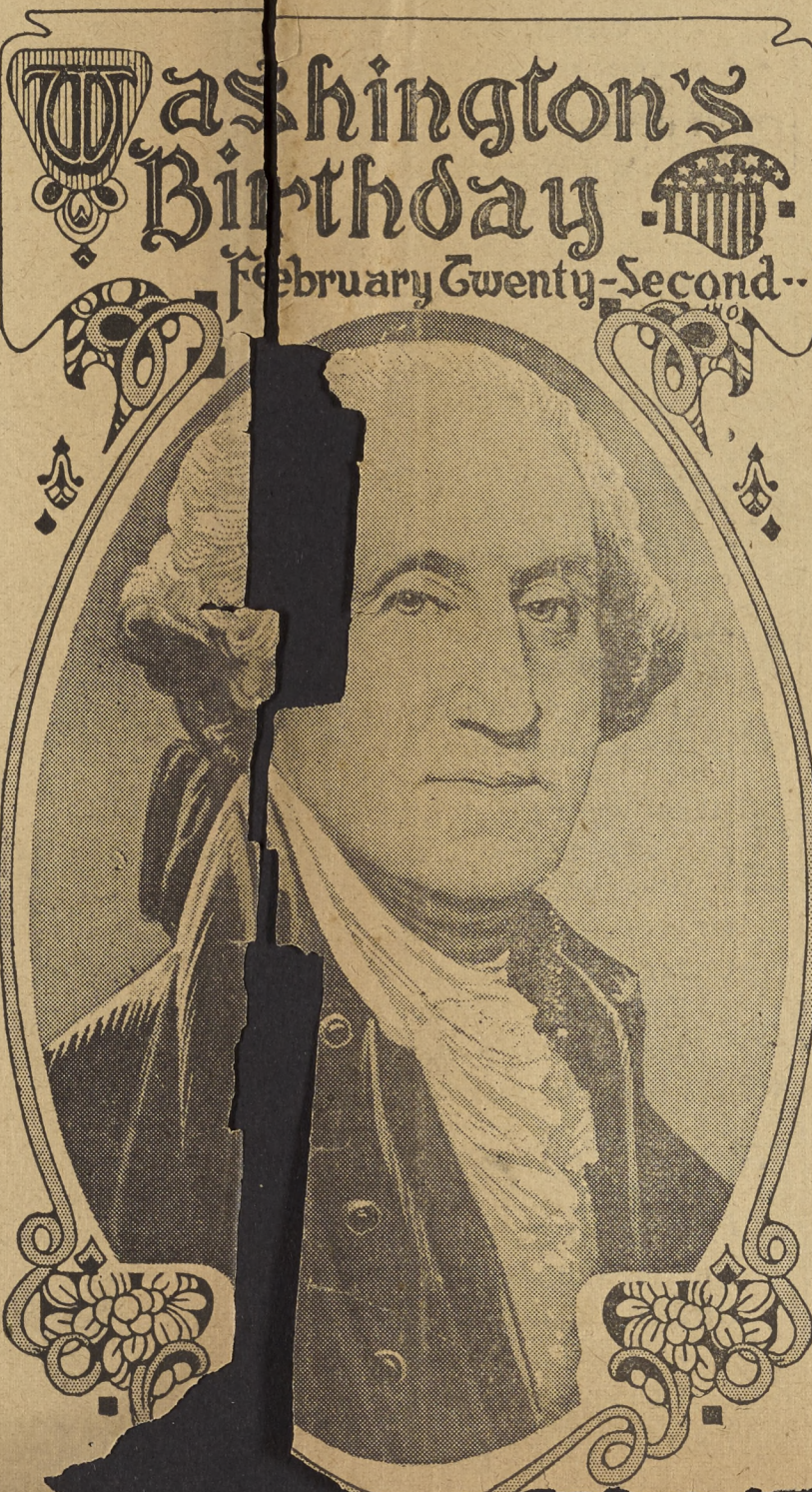
## Set Rate For Women Toilers

After two years investigation the Industrial Welfare Commission of California yesterday issued its first orders in the fruit and vegetable canning industry, fixing the minimum wage for the employment of women and minors.

The minimum rates adopted were those recommended by the wage board made up of three representatives of employers, three of employees and one of the commission.

The minimum rates adopted for piece workers range from 3 cents per twelve-ounce bucket for cutting tomatoes to 15 cents per 40 pound box for cutting pears. Fruit canners will be paid at the rate of one and a half cents per dozen

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## NEWS OF THE WEEK AS TOLD AROUND TOWN

Philip Kolb of Pleasanton was a Niles visitor Monday.

F. V. Jones attended the Supervisors meeting at C.

Miss Ella A. Evans visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Evans this week.

Rev. C. L. Hyde, Jose visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Addie of Oakland accompanied Mrs. Rupert Monday and visited.

According to a report Sunday on a main street 382 automobiles passed in one hour, also cycles. The total number of passengers carried was about ten per cent.

About ten per cent of the machines stopped for a minute in the town.

Born—In Folsom, Cal., on January 15th, 1916, to Austin D. Ellis, a son.

The sidewalk on Front and I streets extended and presents proved appearance.

The library was closed several days this week as card system was being

The second meeting of the corporation club Tuesday evening in rooms. All are invited by the ladies.

The delightful week past week has banished the storms of a few days. Spring fever is now afflicting.

A good sized benefit performance at the Bell Theater Wednesday and a fair sum was the night watchman.

J. C. Scott, formerly of the confectionery by Whitfield, is residing in a San Leandro. Cancer of the throat has been the ailment from which he is suffering.

H. Cushing of Warm Springs District visitor Wednesday.

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Miss Julia Keller spent Sunday in San Francisco.

Olaf Melaas and Manuel Swartz visited the city on Sunday.

Mayor Schween of Pleasanton was a visitor in Niles Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Watson and Mrs. Ben Turpin visited Oakland Monday.

Dr. Taylor and wife spent Monday in the city.

Mrs. Harvey, accompanied by Miss Vera Hewitt, spent Monday shopping in San Francisco.

Al Muegge is now a commuter between Oakland and the future county seat.

Mrs. Eberley was a city visitor Tuesday.

A new and more efficient lighting system is being installed at the Essanay studio, designed by Jess Robbins. The new system consists of 30 high candlepower arc lights, and permits excellent work to be done at night.

Mrs. Con Sullivan and daughter were Oakland visitors Friday.

C. E. Fournier and family motored to Oakland Saturday.

Dick Baronda was a city visitor Saturday.

W. E. Cessari visited the Bay Cities Sunday.

Mrs. George L. Donovan and Miss Mary Barnard visited San Francisco Sunday.

Mel Duffy visited San Francisco Tuesday.

Mrs. Peterson and children were in Oakland Tuesday.

Bobbie Burroughs, formerly of the Essanay, was called to Headsburg Sunday, to the bedside of his mother, who passed away the following day.

H. J. Craft, William Moore, J. B. Barnard and P. A. Ellis motored to several nearby towns Thursday.

Club.

## Christian Endeavors

### Give Valentine Party

The members of the local C. E. Society gave a valentine social at the Congregational parsonage last Saturday night. Games and music were enjoyed until a late hour, when Chas. Overacker who had been elected potmaster of the evening, distributed the heap of mail in the mail box.

Those present were: Edna and Arthur Buckeldee, Lloyd Fournier, Frank Hill, Isabel and Aubrey Laws, Herman and Elsie Murphy, Chas. Overacker, Lorene Philips, Loraine Smith, Lorene and Walter Thomford.

Refreshments were served at the close of the fun.

"Alias Jimmy Valentine" will be shown at the Bell Theater Sunday.

The Isis Comedy Company will be at the Bell Theater Saturday evening. Four vaudeville acts and motion pictures will complete the bill.

For Sale—Choice collection of dahlia bulbs, 10c. each. Mrs. Orpin Niles, Cal.

## County Fair Ass'n Elects Officers

Pleasanton is to be the scene of the Alameda County fair again this autumn. This fact was brought out in an interview with E. E. Hall, president of the board of directors of the Alameda County Fair Association Tuesday morning.

"The strength of the fair asso-

ciation," he said, "is that it has

been holding its annual meetings

for many years, and has been

successful in its efforts to

bring to the people of the county

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## COUNTY DIVISION.

(By CHRIS RUNCKEL.)

Six years ago when the question of county division was up for discussion The Press published an article showing what the combined assessed valuation of Eden, Washington, Pleasanton and Murray townships would be if formed into a county by themselves. The combined assessed valuation then was about \$22,000,000, making allowance for the decrease on account of the operative property of certain corporations to be deducted under the new State law. This amount has since been increased and will now reach about \$23,000,000.

At that time we showed that the four townships if formed into a county would exceed the assessed valuation of at least 40 other counties in the State. It would have a larger assessed valuation than Marin, Napa, Santa Cruz, Solano, or Butte. It would be in a class close to Ventura, San Mateo, Riverside and Monterey.

The estimated income on the tax rates then prevailing would reach in the neighborhood of \$300,000.

While the writer believes that a borough system of government would be a wiser solution than county division, still if Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda should decide to cut us off and abandon us to our own fate, that fate need not alarm us at all.

Apparently the sentiment in the larger cities of the county is growing in favor of a consolidated city and county including Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda, Piedmont, Emeryville and Albany. Mayor Davies' scheme for cutting Oakland out by itself is not meeting with any great support.

Since 1910 many improvements in roads and bridges and the building of the State Highway have been made which would reduce the expense of road building in the new county materially.

If the worst comes and we are obliged to set up a new county government we certainly will be able to get along better than at least two thirds of the counties of the State.

So far as the location of a county seat is concerned I am still of the same belief as I was then, that the only possible chance for locating the county seat in this township would be for the township people to come to some agreement on a location in the township either by election or otherwise and then stand solidly behind that location as a township. So far as the writer is concerned he has no choice of towns, but would be willing to abide, by the choice of the township.

As the Oakland Chamber of Commerce has decided to make the secession of the big cities of the county its main object this year, the movement must not be underestimated by the people of the rest of the county.

In view of this fact our Associated Chambers of Commerce and all other organizations of the township should be united in their efforts to protect the township interests.

From my knowledge of the situation as I find it in the cities I am led to believe that the present movement is more serious than the one of six years ago. One thing we must unalterably oppose and that is to have any part of our section joined to any other county.

The Stockton Record has the following in praise of Governor Hiram W. Johnson as a presidential candidate. We heartily second the Record's estimate of California's great reform Governor:

"Let any student of the nation's history study over the records of the men, each of whom has loomed large in the nation's life either during a course of years or recently. Let the student of history, after due study, name the constructive accomplishments of these men and then compare that list of accomplishments with the results achieved by Governor Johnson during the last five years.

"To Governor Johnson goes credit for such tremendous political reforms as the direct primary, the initiative, referendum and recall, non-partisan election of judges, the reintroduction of the Australian ballot and abolition of the party circle. All these reforms are demanded in every state, but in California alone have they been accomplished.

"Aside from political reforms, Governor Johnson has a record of constructive and business legislation not only never equaled but never approached by any other governor. Had he accomplished nothing but the great record of the California railroad commission he would have a platform excelling in strength those which have carried many men into national fame. But, in addition, he has achieved the work of the state banking department, which has made California's financial institutions the safest in the nation; the work of the state board of control, which has eliminated dishonesty and inefficiency in the state's business and introduced a system which compares favorably with our best managed private corporations; the work of the industrial accident commission, which, in the enforcement of the workmen's compensation act, has commanded the respect of employers and employees alike; the state compensation insurance fund, through which the state writes business in competition with private corporations at a lower cost and prevents the mulcting of the employer; the development of the University of California and particularly of the agricultural college, which means more in the life of the state's agricultural community today than any other force; the state market commission, which, unlike the other departments named, is still untried, but which promises to give to the state's producers incalculable benefit; the state highway commission's work, constructing a vast system of highways without scandal and in the face of enormous financial difficulties.

"These are not all of Johnson's constructive accomplishments, but will suffice as a basis for comparison.

"California and the West have an opportunity which may not come again for fifty years. Let every true Californian and westerner unite in support of the West's most distinguished son, Hiram W. Johnson, for President of the United States."

Will Jefferis wept some Spring Valley tears last week over the damage done by floods in this township in the recent storms.

We suggest that Mr. Jefferis interview some of the owners of places flooded near Alvarado and Newark. He will be surprised of course to learn that they consider the floods the best thing they get except the good crops which the floods insure. As James Logan, one of our best known farmers, put it, "Big floods mean big crops."

It will probably be a surprise to Will Jefferis and the other moving picture artists of the Spring Valley that the pictures they have prepared to show the great damage wrought by floods raises only a smile on the part of those who know the situation in this township.

## Remember

## Washington

By Robertus Love

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IN these the days of world lament and fret,  
When names of mighty captains and of kings  
Are blared and blazoned, let us not forget  
Our own of old who did heroic things,  
With naught of buglings nor of trumpeting,  
But just for Duty wrought  
And Freedom's battle fought  
Where old world greed and new world justice met.

THEY were not millions at battalions they  
Who pioneered for liberty and poured  
The blood of sacrifice day to day  
Upbore the flintlock and sheathed the sword  
Against a foolish king's leading horde,  
And weary year by year  
Fought on without a fear  
For Progress hewing out a broader way.

THEY were not driven to the roaring line  
By men who sat in council safe and far  
With badges on their bosoms as a sign  
Of greatness, as today the myriads are,  
Under the reek of shells the team and scar  
The earth, but they were led  
By men who marched  
Willing to pour their blood as precious wine.

TOO much we prate and babble of the sound  
And fury of the fight and make a cult  
Of numbers fallen and the wrested ground  
Nor reckon shrewdly of the result.  
Our Continentals heaved the caput  
Against an ancient wall  
Of tyranny and thrall  
And gave Old Monarchy his meed.

Truly the breathing soul of the machine  
That ground the foe as millstone grind the grain  
For final salvage and the great gain—  
He still goes marching on,  
Unequaled Washington,  
Our great First Captain of heroic mien.

### SPECIAL PRIVILEGE SUBJECTS.

Never has the United States Senate investigated a reactionary lawyer appointed to the Supreme Court of the United States. But now that a forward-looking man—apparently called a radical because he believes in digging down to the roots of evils—has been nominated by the President, there is a great clatter among the servants of Privilege.

There would not be the least question for the Supreme Court if his public works including his book, "Other People's Money"—had not placed him under the ban of powerful financial interests and corporations, some of which have been held up to merited ridicule by Brandies.

It is not so much because Brandies is a member of the Big Business—Special Privilege—hates Brandies. The great ability and efficiency. They hate him because he, able and efficient, uses his great talents for the good, to promote the social welfare of his countrymen, whereas the Special Privilege and command enjoin Brandies as a man who has betrayed his worship Crooked Business.

Is there a man anywhere in the world who really believes in the liberties of The People would be in any decision that Louis D. Brandies would write? Is anyone so stupid as to say that a man, Brandies or any other man, is disqualified from the Supreme Bench because he has shown that he believes in the rights of the people? Brandies has shown in his life that he hates wrong and oppression, that he believes America should be the land of opportunity for all and not the private domain of monopolists, and that the equal rights of the poor should be protected even against the protests of the rich.

If Louis D. Brandies is not confirmed to the People of this country will lose a great deal of the faith they have in the Supreme Court.

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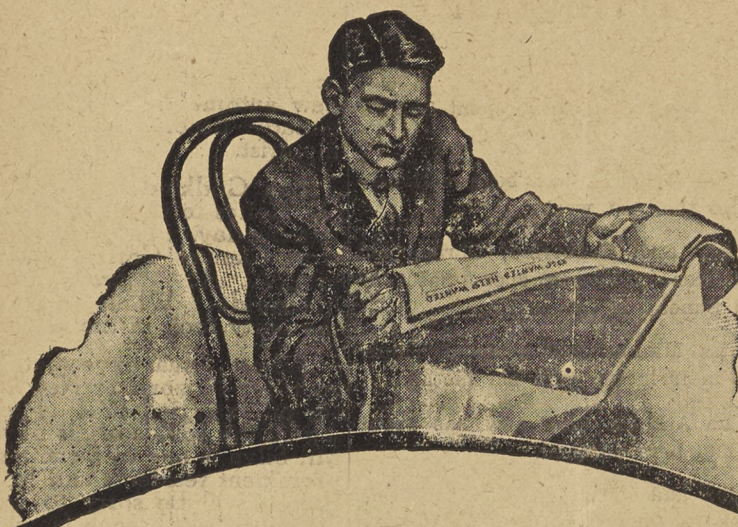
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## "Out of a Job"

You don't have to be everlastingly watching the "want" columns if you have the knowledge that not only puts you in a good position, but that also keeps you there at a steadily increasing salary.

It's not a question of being a walking encyclopedia, but of having the sound, practical training that makes you an expert at your chosen calling—that brings you a good salary year in and year out—that puts you first on the promotion list and last on the "laid-off list"—that keeps your position safe and sound while other chaps are going the rounds looking for work.

The International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, deal in training for higher salaries. The I. C. S. comes right to your home and makes you an expert—whether you're sixteen or sixty—whether you live one or one thousand miles away—whether you're an outside or an inside man. Does it in your spare time, without requiring you to buy a single book. To learn how the I. C. S. can help you, mark the attached coupon and mail it today. No charge for the information and advice it brings.

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Industrial Designing	Civil Engineer
Architectural Draftsman	Building Contractor
Chemist	Architect
Spanish	Concrete Construction
French	Plumbing, Steam Fitting
German	Mine Foreman
Italian	Mine Superintendent

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### NOTICE OF HEARING APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on Monday the 21 day of February, 1916, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the rooms of the Board of Supervisors, in the annex to the Hall of Records, in the City of Oakland, has been fixed as the time and place for hearing the application of MICHAEL DEVER to obtain a renewal of a liquor license for the sale of liquor at Alvarado in Alvarado Election Precinct.

GEO. E. GROGAN  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.  
Dated Oakland, Cal., Jan. 31, 1916.  
First publication, Feb. 3, 1916.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administrator of the estate of May L. Dees, nee May L. Threlfall, deceased, to all persons having claims against the said deceased, to file within ten months after the first publication of this notice, either file their necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Alameda, or exhibit the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned office of B. C. Mickl at the office of Alameda County, State of California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

ARTHUR R. DEER  
Administrator of the estate of May L. Dees, nee May L. Threlfall, deceased.  
Dated, Oakland, December 27, 1915.  
First publication of notice February 3, 1916.

### A Valentine Story

By LANNIE HAYNES

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MISS BETTY had a little hair, when she was twenty-two and was wondering if she was "just a thing."

"Just a thing," Jack's ear, "never to be heart or an engagement to."

"Or," echoed Jack as his ed hers, dramatizing the fore it could be uttered.

So, in sheer sympathy for Betty, Dora sent her a big crystallized fruit, and Jack's day gift was a wonderful all lovers' knots and wreaths and lace paper. The box addressed in Jack's bold, masculine handwriting, but no name was written.

On the morning of the 5th of February Miss Betty woke. The snow was driving again, and windows, and the first thing she thought of was that the groceryman had promised to send out a bag of flour for her chickens, and she wondered if there was any mail. The groceryman always brought Miss Betty's mail up snowy mornings. Then she remembered the talk of the night before, how "he" had told about California, the wonderful country where roses bloomed in January. Through the kitchen window she saw on the back porch the bonemeal and on it a big square package.

Breakfast over, she dressed and went outside, taking her potato knife to cut the string on the bonemeal sack. As she lifted the package of flour she saw her name—"Miss Betty Dees, mon, Kingsport, O."

She dropped the chicken pan with a clatter and ran back to the kitchen fire, cutting the string on the box as she ran. The two boxes fell apart, the wooden lid slipped off, and the candy box, and the crystallized fruit, dropped in amber and ruby splendor on the kitchen floor. "California!" the label read. Could this have come from "he" who had said "just a thing"?

She gave a little birdlike cry, quivering cry when she opened the package.

Beneath the beribboned paper bedecked page there was a scroll with a gilt edged scroll, and on it all a verse:

The flowers shall bloom for you, whole year through,  
For you, my dear, the gentlest of all.

My heart for you is longing,  
Oh, come with me, my love, and feel.

Somewhat it gave her a ting of haste, of desire for motion. She slipped on alpaca, put on her best gown, wrapped a brilliant fur scarf that had been given her Christmas time about her, and was just the hour when she went for the mail. The letter brought to her, but the office was a time honored place, this was a holiday.

The cold flushed her cheeks, put a sparkle in her eyes, in a long overcoat she went forward. Now, a sudden impulse made her want to escape, from which she

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### LODGE MEETINGS

ALAMEDA LODGE, F. & A. M.  
Stated meetings at Masonic Temple, Centerville, for 1915: January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20, December 18.

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### of Dissolution of Partnership

Wherefore existing between Harry G. Stratton and James M. Cochran, conducting a laundry business at the Town of Niles, Alameda County, California, under the firm name and style of NILES STEAM LAUNDRY, was on the 5th day of February 1916, dissolved by mutual consent. The said parties retiring from the Laundry business. The said Harry G. Stratton, having acquired all the interest of the said James M. Cochran, will wind up and close the affairs of the firm.

All persons indebted to said Copartnership are requested to make payments to said Harry G. Stratton, and the said Harry G. Stratton is to assume and pay all the liabilities and debts now outstanding against the said firm of Niles Steam Laundry.

Dated this 5th day of February 1916.  
HARRY G. STRATTON.  
JAMES M. COCHRAN.

But it was too late. Before her was the young farm hand, now the successful California orange grower, whom her father had spurned.

"Why, it's Betty!" an old, familiar voice was saying. Nobody had called her just plain Betty in twenty-five years.

"I heard your talk last night," she said as she extended her hand, "and enjoyed it very much."

"And you didn't come up to speak to me?" he chided in reproachful tones.

"I did not think you would remember me," she said as her face flushed.

"Why, Betty, you had a red shawl just like that the night we went on the hay ride," he said. "It's immensely becoming, and your cheeks are just as—"

But she interrupted him. "I want to thank you for all that!"

"Now, never mind about my speech," he self consciously broke in. "You just ought to come to California yourself and see what kind of a country we've got out there."

In Miss Betty's heart was echoing that ardent "Oh, come with me away, away," and, having not a doubt as to the sender of the valentine, she said, "Do you really want me to go with you, Amos?"

Now it suddenly struck Amos that he did, and he wondered why he had not thought of it before. So the vehement affirmative of the reply was in proportion to the suddenness of the impulse.

And to this day the little lady, still prim, shy and diffident, but smiling as the roses in her California garden, does not know that it was she who proposed, for Amos Bailey is too gallant a gentleman to tell her that he did not send that precious Cupid compound.

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## Set Rate For Women Toilers

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for canning fruit in two and one-half pound cans and 3 and three-fifths cents per dozen for ten-lb. cans. Canners of tomatoes will receive two and two-fifths cents per dozen for ten-pound cans and one cent per dozen for two and a half pound cans.

## Rate for Time Workers.

The minimum rates adopted for time workers are 16 cents per hour for experienced and 13 cents per hour for inexperienced help.

The maximum number of hours which an adult woman may be employed was fixed at ten hours a day, sixty hours a week, except in an emergency. One and one-fourth time will be paid for overtime.

The maximum number of hours of labor of minors under the age of 18 years were fixed at eight hours in any one day, or forty-eight in any one week.

The commission ordered the keeping of records of the work done and time worked by all women and minors so that it can determine at the end of next season the effect of its orders upon the wages of the women and minors employed in the canning industry.

## Standard of Conditions.

The commission issued an order prescribing the minimum standards of conditions under which women may be employed in the canning industry, which included a comprehensive sanitary code approved by the State Board of Health, affecting lighting, ventilation, floors, toilets, washrooms, etc.

The orders also include provision for seats for women employed, and prohibit the carrying of boxes of fruit and other heavy burdens by women in the canneries.

The orders of the commission are to be printed in English, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish, so that the employees in the canneries, a great many of whom are foreign may know their rights as employees.

The law provides that the orders must be posted in every cannery.

## Bantamweight Championship.

The twenty round bout for the bantamweight championship of the world between Kid Williams of Baltimore, the title holder, and Frankie Burns of Jersey City will be held at New Orleans Dec. 6. The weights will be 118 pounds, ringside. Ed Smith of Chicago will referee.

## Apricot Growers to Co-operate

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the bureau assumes that its first duty is to obtain accurate and comprehensive information relating to crops and markets, and market and crop conditions, and the dissemination of such information among the growers.

## 1915 Growers Committee.

As far as this phase of its activities goes the bureau will carry on in a more thorough and complete fashion the work so well begun by the 1915 growers committee. At a conservative estimate \$600,000 were saved to the growers of California through the action of that committee. This vast sum might well have been doubled had the committee had a more complete and better organized news gathering and disseminating service. Such a service the information bureau will have for the season of 1916.

## First Work.

The first line of work of the bureau will be to obtain certain necessary data relating to acreage and production from every prune and apricot grower in the State and also his membership in the bureau. Membership subscriptions are at the rate of 20 cents per dried ton of product on the basis of the tonnage of the 1915 crop; when apricots are canned the rate is five cents per ton of green fruit. Essentially this work means an orchard to orchard canvass in each district and the bureau agents will be in the field very shortly. This field work will be preceded as far as possible by neighborhood growers meetings at which the purpose of the bureau may be endorsed and its problems discussed.

The immediate aim of the bureau is to place every prune and apricot grower in the State on an equal footing with the packer as far as the knowledge of the market and crop conditions goes. The success of the bureau in this undertaking, as indeed, in that of all its other operations depends on the support that it receives from the grower.

## Central Marketing Agency.

What the ultimate outcome of the bureau's activities will be no man knows, but it is plain to all that the only solution of many of the problems with which the industry is beset is through the establishment of a central marketing agency whose activities are so directed that justice to both the packer and the grower is secured. The bureau desires such an agency and is working for it in a way approved by those whom it deems well qualified to advise in this matter.

## Immediate Needs.

The immediate needs of the Bureau are membership subscriptions from leading growers in each section. Such subscriptions are valuable for their intrinsic worth and for giving prestige to the agents of the bureau in their canvassing operations. As said before, the rate is twenty cents per ton. Complete or partial membership subscriptions are welcome; for each one received a receipt will be sent, which will shortly be followed by a copy of the articles of association. Checks should be made payable to the Cal. P. & A. G. Information Bureau. In joining the Bureau a member assumes no financial responsibility nor can one later be laid on him as the bureau is not now incorporated nor will it later become incorporated.

## The Alien To Be Shown At Newark

New York Press, June 1, 1915.

George Beban's motion picture of "An Alien" was shown to a first night audience in the Astor Theatre last night, and proved its worth as a moer of sobbing and tears. The comedy, it is a heart gripping with moments of exciting melodrama. The audience followed Mr. Beban with remarkable interest through the picture. He is an Italian, who is fully suspected of kidnapping the daughter of a rich broker. It is Christmas eve. He goes out to play chase toys for his own little daughter. In his absence she is run down and killed by the automobile belonging to the man whose daughter has been kidnapped.

Next morning he goes forth to buy a flower for her grave, entering the flower shop wherein the kidnappers have arranged to meet the mother of their victim and receive their ransom. The alien drops in to buy a flower, is brutally manhandled by the detective and is on the point of being killed, when the father rushes in with the news that the child has been recovered, and that the alien has been wrongfully suspected.

The company is a good one, but Mr. Beban himself goes most of the big scenes, and to him must go most of the praise.

The Alien will be shown at Newark on Tuesday, February 2nd.

## Centerville

The members of the Eastern Star entertained a number of guests at a Valentine party Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Nesmith is reported to be rapidly improving from her illness.

A large crowd attended the dance at Holy Ghost Hall last Saturday night and a splendid time was enjoyed by all.

Wednesday was "clean up day" at the high school and the boys of the school cleaned up the ground and the buildings, while the girls of the domestic science class prepared and served a luncheon to the workers.

F. T. Hawes appeared at his store the first of the week after having spent several days at home in a tussle with Mr. la grippe.

Mrs. Thompson entertained the members of the guild this week.

A large crowd attended the Lincolnton services at the Presbyterian church last Sunday and were rewarded by hearing a most excellent sermon.

Mrs. Blacow will entertain the Ladies' Aid next week.

The pleasant weather has stimulated ravel and the "jineys" are doing a rushing business.

Everyone will be glad to learn that T. Anies has so far recovered from his recent severe illness as to be able to set up once more.

A baseball game is scheduled to take place at the high school this afternoon between Lick Wilmerding and San Francisco and Washington.

## Jose

Mr. Higgins, who formerly conducted a shop in Richmond. Mr. Higgins is the future of the Mission "looks to him."

The committee in charge of the Coronation Ball to be given next Saturday night are anticipating a large attendance and promise a good time.

Another of the past week's automobile touring and received its share.

## School Notes

The family of amateur printers saw a slides Thursday showing the professional work.

The work day Wednesday was a great success. But the feed capped the climax.

The ball game Wednesday was not so successful because the regulars had to hit or miss.

Don Aftergut is still the best book scholar, of course.

Happy Barnard managed to come back for the eats Wednesday in spite of sickness.

## SUNDAY SERVICES

NILES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
SUNDAY, February 20th.

8 a. m.—Sunday school.  
9 a. m.—Preaching Service: "Unsettled Shifting of Positions in the Moral World."

7 p. m.—Intermediate Christian Endeavor.  
7:45 p. m.—"A Jewish Lad as Prime Minister."

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Fridays at 2:30 P. M.

## Irvington

Joe (Gans) Medeiros spent Sunday in Oakland.

Mrs. Medeiros has been seriously ill for the past week.

Carl and Catherine Christensen and Irene Roderick spent Saturday and Sunday in Livermore.

Miss Minnie Coulter spent Thursday in Irvington with her mother.

The Athletic Club now has about 40 members enrolled.

Mr. and Mrs. Waddel left this week for their new home in Colfax.

Mr. Bentrou was a guest of Miss Laura Trenouth over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Brewer motored to San Jose Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Irene Rassmussen visited friends in San Jose for a couple of days this week.

Little William Hirsch was stricken with appendicitis Wednesday and was taken to the Garden City for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ismert visited relatives in Irvington Saturday and Sunday.

Dave Connor's was taken to O'Connors Sanitarium, San Jose, Thursday to have his injured toe amputated.

Miss Lizzie Hinckley contemplates moving to Seattle in the near future.

Mrs. Barkmeyer has had her name on the sick list for the past few days.

Mrs. Joe Holdener is reported to be rapidly improving in O'Connors Sanitarium, where she recently underwent a severe operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hirsch motored to Oakland Sunday.

Mr. Reiter is visiting at the Driscoll home for a few days.

Miss Nellie Jessen, who was employed by the Ames Pump Company at Niles prior to the leasing of that plant, has accepted a position in San Francisco.

J. Leal made a business trip to Santa Rosa last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mowry Graybill have moved to San Francisco.

Dr. Lutz motored to San Jose Wednesday.

Frank Roderiques visited in San Francisco Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Durham was a city visitor on Monday.

The fence around the park has been painted and makes quite an improved appearance.

Don't forget the big masquerade ball to be given this evening under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce.

## Decoto

Mr. Alexander spent Sunday in Oakland.

Tony Kelly spent Sunday in Hayward.

Wm. Kelly visited friends in Oakland Sunday.

Barney Meyers was an Oakland visitor Sunday.

S. Perry with his family autoed to San Jose last Sunday in his new automobile. Mr. Perry has already become an enthusiastic motorist.

Ben Godkind took a party of Decotoites to Oakland in his Ford last Sunday. Those in the party were Manuel Correa, Nick Duarte, A. A. Amaral, and Frank Margarido. While in Oakland the party took in the Orpheum.

Albert Silva expects to leave soon for Arizona or New Mexico for an extended stay. He is going on the advice of his physician. Mr. Silva is one of Decoto's most prominent residents and his many friends will be sorry to learn of his enforced absence from home. It is to be hoped that the stay will prove a permanent benefit to his health.

The California Brick Company is flooded these days, not with water; but with orders for bricks of all kinds. At present they can not get cars enough to fill their orders. Quite a number of paying brick are being sent out. The company has about completed a new building in which they will turn out their roofing material, the output of which is continually increasing.

## Alvarado

Mr. McCarthy, who has been quite ill for the past month is now able to enjoy a ride in the pleasant sunshine of the past week.

Lincoln services are to be held in the Presbyterian church this Sunday evening. Rev. Rogers has also arranged for special music. All are welcome.

John Logan has been on the sick list for the past few days, and has been unable to attend school.

The flood waters still cover some of the lowlands, but the farmers and general public are gratified for these days of spring-like weather.

Miss Edith Foley of Napa entertained a few friends at the home of her friends here, Saturday evening. Hearts were played, followed by refreshments. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

## CALL FOR BIDS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Newark School District of Alameda County will, on Monday, the 28th day of February, 1916, at the hour of 8 o'clock

in the evening, at the residence of Mr. F. Falk, on Thornton Avenue, in the Town of Newark in this County, receive and open bids for the purchase of the present two-story frame school building of said district located on the East corner of Cherry Road and Dairy Avenue, in said Town of Newark. The party whose bid is accepted will be required to remove the building within 60 days after date of acceptance of bid.

By order of the Board.  
F. FALK, Clerk.  
Dated Feb. 8, 1916.

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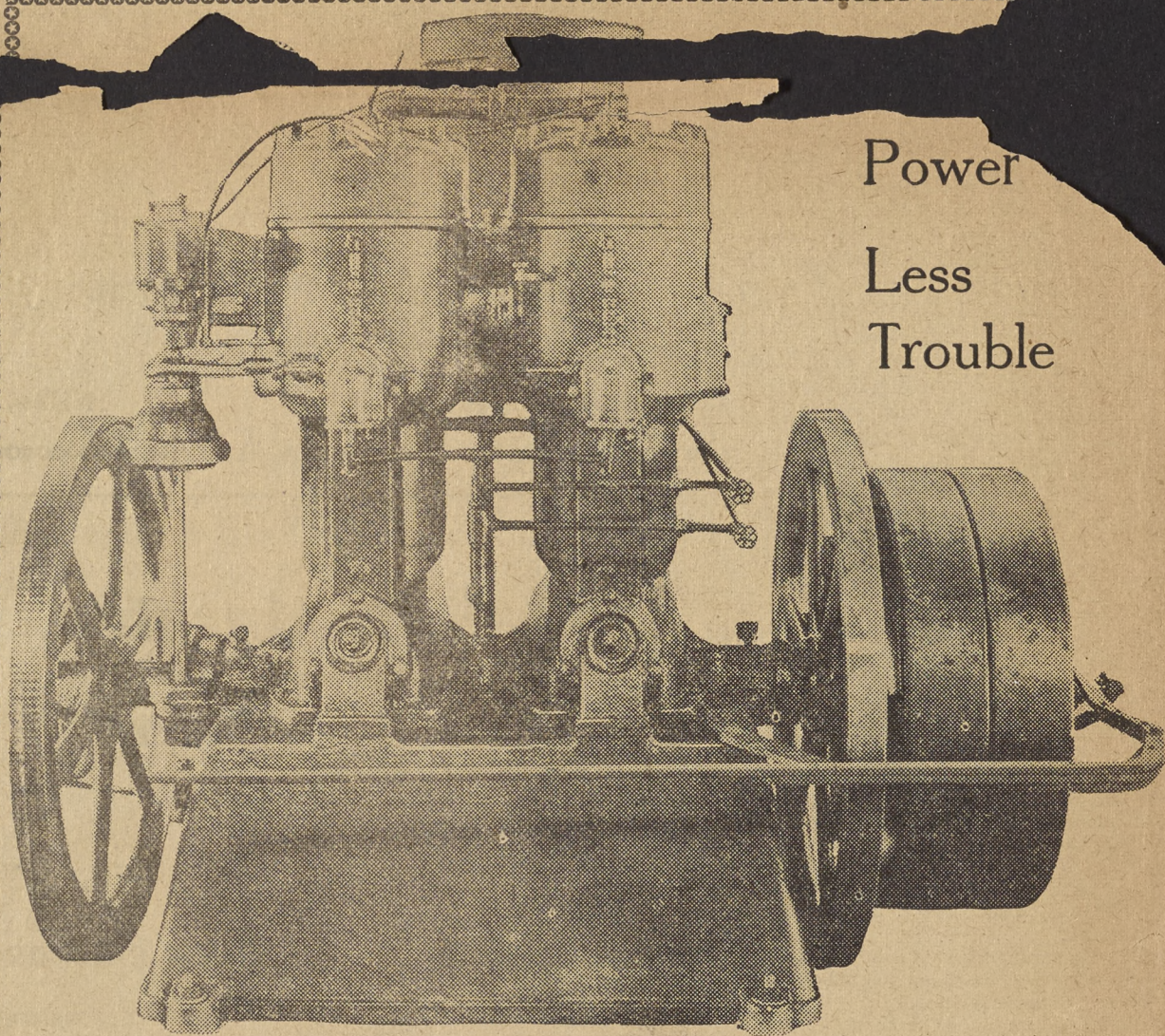
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